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The Secretary-General presents his compliments to the President of the Security Council and, in accordance with paragraph 8 of Security Council resolution 816 (1993), has the honour to bring to his attention further information received by the United Nations Protection Force (UNPROFOR) regarding apparent violations of the ban on flights in the airspace of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

Between 20 and 23 May 1994, there appear to have been eight flights of fixed- or rotary-wing aircraft in the airspace of Bosnia and Herzegovina other than those exempted in accordance with paragraph 1 of resolution 816 (1993) or approved by UNPROFOR in accordance with paragraph 2 of that resolution. Details as to the itinerary of flights in this reporting period are annexed to the present note verbale.

The total number of flights assessed as apparent violations is now 1,659.

Annex

Information on flights in the airspace of Bosnia and Herzegovina not authorized by the United Nations Protection Force

(20 May-23 May 1994)

Serial No.	Date	Start	End	Remarks	Heading, speed, altitude
1675	20 May	1704	1715	AWAC and North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) fighter aircraft made radar contact on a track 10 kilometres north-west of Doboj. Contact was lost 35 kilometres north-west of Doboj. The unauthorized flight took place in an area controlled by Bosnian Serbs.	North-west Slow Low
1676	21 May	1109	1258	Flight No. 563 began as an approved medical evacuation from Posusje to Vitez and return to transport one patient to Posusje. The flight became a violation when it departed from Posusje, without UNPROFOR's authorization, with 17 unauthorized passengers on board (6 medical personnel, 1 patient, 1 mother with baby and 8 passengers). The unauthorized flight took place in an area controlled by Bosnian Croats.	North-east Slow Low
1677	21 May	1125	1125	UNPROFOR personnel observed a white MI-8 helicopter with a red cross flying 5 kilometres south of Gornji Vakuf. The unauthorized flight took place in an area controlled by Bosnian Croats.	North-west Unknown 100 feet
1678	21 May	1320	1322	UNPROFOR personnel observed a white MI-8 helicopter with blue stripes flying 15 kilometres north-west of Kiseljak. The unauthorized flight took place in an area controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina.	South-west Unknown Unknown
1679	21 May	1437	1900	Flight No. 565 began as an approved medical evacuation from Posusje to Kiseljak to Split and return to transport three accident victims to Posusje. It became a violation when UNPROFOR personnel were denied access to inspect the flight and it departed with unauthorized passengers. The unauthorized flight took place in an area controlled by Bosnian Croats.	South-west Slow Low
1680	21 May	1646	1719	NATO fighter aircraft made radar and visual contact with a white MI-8 helicopter flying 25 kilometres south of Tuzla. The helicopter landed 5 kilometres south-west of Sarajevo, where 8 to 10 persons disembarked. The unauthorized flight took place in area controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina.	South-west 90 knots 2,000 feet
1681	21 May	1819	1828	NATO aircraft fighters made visual contact with a MI-8 helicopter 15 kilometres north-east of Posusje. The helicopter landed near a lake 15 kilometres south of Gornji Vakuf. The unauthorized flight of this helicopter took place in an area controlled by Bosnian Croats.	North-east Unknown Unknown
				[22 May: no violations reported]	
1682	23 May	1135	1140	AWAC and NATO fighter aircraft made radar contact on a track 28 kilometres north-east of Banja Luka. Contact was lost 13 kilometres north-east of Banja Luka. The unauthorized flight took place in an area controlled by Bosnian Serbs.	South-west 125 knots Low